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Message:

Enclosed please find the Response to Final Office Action dated January 3, 2006.

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Serial No.: 10/085,724

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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Honorable Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir/Madam:

This is in response to the *Final Office Action* dated January 3, 2006 in the above-referenced patent application. Please enter and consider the following remarks.

Initially, Applicant submits that, at least for the reasons stated below, the present *first* Office Action was improperly designated as "Final" Office Action. As such, under, for example, MPEP §§706.07(b) and 706.07(c), Applicant is entitled to request that the primary examiner withdraw the finality of the present office action as discussed below.